

**Agriculture and Natural Resources
Appropriations Bill
House File 2525
*As Amended by H-8539***

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Executive Summary Only

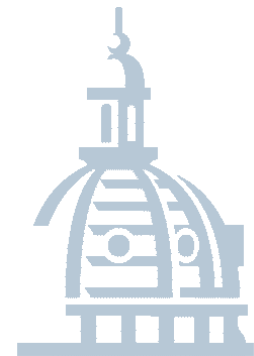
An Act relating to and making appropriations involving State government, by providing for agriculture, natural resources, and environmental protection, and providing effective dates.

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**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
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**HOUSE FILE 2525 AS AMENDED BY H-8539
AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL RESOURCES APPROPRIATIONS BILL**

SENATE AMENDMENT – H-8539

Page and line numbers refer to Senate amendment H-8539.

- Allocates \$238,000 of the FY 2011 General Fund appropriation to the Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship (DALs) to the Midwest Grape and Wine Industry Institute at Iowa State University. (Page 1, Line 3)
- Specifies the intent of the General Assembly to provide specific line item allocations from the Fish and Game Protection Fund in the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) for FY 2012. This includes the allocation of funds and FTE positions to the Law Enforcement Bureau, the Fisheries Bureau, the Wildlife Bureau, and for capital projects expenditures. Directs the Department to submit the FY 2012 budget request for the Fish and Game Protection Fund to include these allocations. (Page 1, Line 8)
- Permits DALs to use money appropriated to the Conservation Reserve and Enhancement Program (CREP) in combination with other appropriate Environment First Fund monies to match federal funds provided from the federal Wetlands Reserve Enhancement Program. (Page 1, Line 36)
- Strikes language in the Bill that prohibits the DNR from using Resource Enhancement and Protection (REAP) funds for Honey Creek Destination Park bond payments in future years. (Page 1, Line 45)
- Specifies to the extent feasible, the Leopold Center for Sustainable Agriculture will prepare a local food and farm plan to increase locally-grown food production and submit the plan to the General Assembly by January 10, 2011. Specifies the effective date of this requirement is the enactment date and repeals this requirement on January 10, 2011. (Page 1, Line 49)
- For FY 2011 through FY 2013, the DNR will award a Beautification Grant to an organization that meets specific criteria with up to \$200,000 in funding from the Groundwater Protection Fund. Specifies the grant recipient will submit an annual report to the Department detailing the expenditures of the grant money and the results achieved. (Page 2, Line 20)
- Creates a Commercial Establishment Fund in the DALs. The Fund will be used for fees paid as directed in HF 2280 (Commercial Animal Establishments Act) for administration of the Commercial Establishment Program. Specifies this Section is effective on enactment and is retroactive to March 9, 2010. (Page 3, Line 16)

**BILL AS PASSED BY THE HOUSE
FUNDING SUMMARY**

Page and line numbers refer to HF 2525 (pink copy).

- Appropriates a total of \$35.9 million from the General Fund and 1,627.0 FTE positions for FY 2011. This is a decrease of \$341,000 and an increase of 25.6 FTE positions compared to estimated net FY 2010. The Bill also appropriates \$76.2 million from other funds. This is a decrease of \$9.0 million compared to estimated FY 2010.

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**HOUSE FILE 2525 AS AMENDED BY H-8539
AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL RESOURCES APPROPRIATIONS BILL**

**NEW PROGRAMS, SERVICES, OR
ACTIVITIES**

**MAJOR INCREASES, DECREASES,
AND TRANSFERS OF EXISTING
PROGRAMS**

- Environment First Funding will be appropriated for the following Programs:
 - Appropriates \$1.8 million to the Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship (DALs) for administration of soil and water conservation programs, to support soil and water conservation district expense reimbursement, and can be used for matching money in the Mississippi River Basin Healthy Watersheds Initiative Fund. (Page 10, Line 1)
 - Appropriates \$250,000 for the State Parks Volunteer Activities Program. The money will be used by State Parks to pay for food, services, and supplies for volunteers that donate their time to provide services at State Parks. (Page 11, Line 32)
- Creates the Mississippi River Basin Healthy Watersheds Initiative in the DALs. This is a voluntary program that was created by the federal Department of Agriculture to improve the water quality and wildlife habitat of the Mississippi River Water basin. (Page 13, Line 20)
- Appropriates \$16.9 million from the General Fund and 408.0 FTE positions to the DALs. This is an increase of \$18,000 and no change in FTE positions compared to estimated net FY 2010. The increase replaces funding that was previously reduced in the Avian Influenza Program. (Page 1, Line 4)
- Appropriates \$15.6 million from the General Fund and 1,168.0 FTE positions to the Department of Natural Resources (DNR). This is a decrease of \$359,000 and no change in FTE positions compared to estimated net FY 2010. (Page 2, Line 23)
- Appropriates \$3.5 million from the General Fund and 50.0 FTE positions to the Board of Regents for the Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory at Iowa State University. This is no change in funding and an increase of 25.6 FTE positions compared to estimated net FY 2010 for operations. (Page 6, Line 15)
- Appropriates \$33.0 million from the Environment First Fund. This is a decrease of \$9.0 million compared to the estimated FY 2010 appropriation. Changes include:
 - A decrease of \$1.1 million for the Watershed Protection Program. (Page 8, Line 4)
 - A decrease of \$50,000 for the Farm Management Demonstration Program. (Page 8, Line 12)
 - A decrease of \$250,000 for the Agriculture Drainage Wells Program. (Page 8, Line 27)
 - A decrease of \$6.0 million for the Soil Conservation Cost Share Program. (Page 9, Line 1)
 - A decrease of \$200,000 for the Conservation Reserve Program. (Page 9, Line 5)
 - A decrease of \$100,000 for the Loess Hills Development and Conservation Fund. (Page 9, Line 14)
 - A decrease of \$50,000 for the Southern Iowa Development and Conservation Fund. (Page 9, Line 30)
 - An increase of \$1.8 million to the DALs for administration of soil and water conservation programs. (Page 10, Line 1)

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**MAJOR INCREASES, DECREASES,
AND TRANSFERS OF EXISTING
PROGRAM (CONTINUED)**

- An increase of \$248,000 for regulation of animal feeding operations. (Page 11, Line 2)
- A decrease of \$100,000 for the Resource Conservation and Development. (Page 11, Line 19)
- An increase of \$250,000 for the State Parks Volunteer Activities Program. (Page 11, Line 32)
- A decrease of \$3.0 million for the Resource Enhancement and Protection (REAP) Fund. (Page 12, Line 14)

STUDIES AND INTENT LANGUAGE

- A decrease of \$500,000 to eliminate funding to the Department of Economic Development for the Brownfields Program.
- Requires the DNR to complete an interim study on public lands under their control that is available for public hunting. Also requires the DNR to authorize public hunting areas and report the results to the Governor and the General Assembly by January 10, 2011. (Page 5, Line 30)
- Eliminates the Law Enforcement Bureau Chief and Assistant Bureau Chief positions in the DNR. (Page 6, Line 4)
- Prohibits ISU from reducing other funding to the Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory and requires any unallocated funds to the Laboratory to revert to the General Fund at the end of the fiscal year. Also specifies that the General Assembly intends to provide funding of \$4.0 million to the Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory for FY 2011. (Page 6, Line 27 and Page 7, Line 7)
- Prohibits the DNR from using REAP funds for Honey Creek Destination Park bond payments. (Page 12, Line 25)

SIGNIFICANT CODE CHANGES

- Permits the DNR to use Stormwater Discharge Permit fees to fund 2.0 FTE positions for the reduction of the floodplain permits backlog and to fund 2.0 FTE positions for the federal Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) Program. (Page 5, Line 15)
- Creates the Mississippi River Basin Healthy Watersheds Initiative in the Code. (Page 12, Line 34 through Page 14, Line 9)

EFFECTIVE DATES

- The requirement to eliminate the Chief and Assistant Chief positions in the Law Enforcement Bureau of the DNR is effective on enactment. (Page 6, Line 8)
- This Bill is effective July 1, 2010.

Summary Data

General Fund

	Actual FY 2009	Estimated Net FY 2010	House Action FY 2011	Senate Action FY 2011	Senate Action vs. Est Net 2010	Page and Line #
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
Agriculture and Natural Resources	\$ 45,228,137	\$ 36,258,092	\$ 35,917,312	\$ 35,917,312	\$ -340,780	
Grand Total	<u><u>\$ 45,228,137</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 36,258,092</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 35,917,312</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 35,917,312</u></u>	<u><u>\$ -340,780</u></u>	

Agriculture and Natural Resources

General Fund

	Actual FY 2009 (1)	Estimated Net FY 2010 (2)	House Action FY 2011 (3)	Senate Action FY 2011 (4)	Senate Action vs. Est Net 2010 (5)	Page and Line # (6)
<u>Agriculture and Land Stewardship</u>						
Agriculture and Land Stewardship						
Administrative Division	\$ 19,044,179	\$ 16,872,308	\$ 16,872,308	\$ 16,872,308	\$ 0	PG 1 LN 4
Avian Influenza	27,750	-18,077	0	0	18,077	
Total Agriculture and Land Stewardship	\$ 19,071,929	\$ 16,854,231	\$ 16,872,308	\$ 16,872,308	\$ 18,077	
<u>Natural Resources, Dept. of</u>						
Natural Resources						
Natural Resources Operations	\$ 22,091,049	\$ 15,968,410	\$ 15,600,710	\$ 15,600,710	\$ -367,700	PG 2 LN 23
Redemption Center	985,000	-8,843	0	0	8,843	
Total Natural Resources, Dept. of	\$ 23,076,049	\$ 15,959,567	\$ 15,600,710	\$ 15,600,710	\$ -358,857	
<u>Regents, Board of</u>						
Regents, Board of						
ISU - Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory	\$ 3,080,159	\$ 3,444,294	\$ 3,444,294	\$ 3,444,294	\$ 0	PG 6 LN 15
Total Regents, Board of	\$ 3,080,159	\$ 3,444,294	\$ 3,444,294	\$ 3,444,294	\$ 0	
Total Agriculture and Natural Resources	\$ 45,228,137	\$ 36,258,092	\$ 35,917,312	\$ 35,917,312	\$ -340,780	

Summary Data

Other Funds

	Actual FY 2009	Estimated Net FY 2010	House Action FY 2011	Senate Action FY 2011	Senate Action vs. Est Net 2010	Page and Line #
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
Agriculture and Natural Resources	\$ 85,104,502	\$ 85,154,502	\$ 76,154,502	\$ 76,154,502	\$ -9,000,000	
Grand Total	<u><u>\$ 85,104,502</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 85,154,502</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 76,154,502</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 76,154,502</u></u>	<u><u>\$ -9,000,000</u></u>	

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<u>Agriculture and Land Stewardship</u>						
Agriculture and Land Stewardship						
Native Horse and Dog Program	\$ 305,516	\$ 305,516	\$ 305,516	\$ 305,516	\$ 0	PG 1 LN 25
Motor Fuel Inspection-RFIF	300,000	300,000	300,000	300,000	0	PG 2 LN 3
Conservation Reserve Enhance-EFF	1,500,000	1,500,000	1,500,000	1,500,000	0	PG 7 LN 30
Watershed Protection Fund-EFF	2,550,000	2,550,000	1,500,000	1,500,000	-1,050,000	PG 8 LN 4
Farm Management Demo.-EFF	850,000	800,000	750,000	750,000	-50,000	PG 8 LN 12
Agricultural Drainage Wells-EFF	1,500,000	1,500,000	1,250,000	1,250,000	-250,000	PG 8 LN 27
Cost Share-EFF	7,000,000	7,000,000	1,050,000	1,050,000	-5,950,000	PG 9 LN 1
Conservation Reserve Prog.-EFF	1,500,000	1,500,000	1,300,000	1,300,000	-200,000	PG 9 LN 5
So. Iowa Conservation & Dev.-EFF	300,000	300,000	250,000	250,000	-50,000	PG 9 LN 30
Soil and Water Conservation Fund - EFF	0	0	1,751,600	1,751,600	1,751,600	PG 10 LN 1
Total Agriculture and Land Stewardship	\$ 15,805,516	\$ 15,755,516	\$ 9,957,116	\$ 9,957,116	\$ -5,798,400	
Loess Hills Dev. and Conservation						
Loess Hills-EFF	\$ 600,000	\$ 600,000	\$ 500,000	\$ 500,000	\$ -100,000	PG 9 LN 14
Total Agriculture and Land Stewardship	\$ 16,405,516	\$ 16,355,516	\$ 10,457,116	\$ 10,457,116	\$ -5,898,400	
<u>Natural Resources Capital</u>						
Natural Resources Capital						
State Park Volunteer Activities - EFF	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 250,000	\$ 250,000	\$ 250,000	PG 11 LN 32
Total Natural Resources Capital	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 250,000	\$ 250,000	\$ 250,000	

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<u>Natural Resources, Dept. of</u>						
Natural Resources						
Fish & Game-DNR Admin Expenses	\$ 38,793,154	\$ 38,793,154	\$ 38,793,154	\$ 38,793,154	\$ 0	PG 3 LN 25
Groundwater Protection Fund	0	0	3,455,832	3,455,832	3,455,832	PG 4 LN 18
Snowmobile Registration Fees	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	0	PG 4 LN 30
UST Administration Match	200,000	200,000	200,000	200,000	0	PG 5 LN 5
GWF-Storage Tanks Study-DNR	100,303	100,303	0	0	-100,303	
GWF-Household Hazardous Waste-DNR	447,324	447,324	0	0	-447,324	
GWF-Well Testing Admin 2%-DNR	62,461	62,461	0	0	-62,461	
GWF-Groundwater Monitoring-DNR	1,686,751	1,686,751	0	0	-1,686,751	
GWF-Landfill Alternatives-DNR	618,993	618,993	0	0	-618,993	
GWF-Waste Reduction and Assistance	192,500	192,500	0	0	-192,500	
GWF-Solid Waste Authorization	50,000	50,000	0	0	-50,000	
GWF-Geographic Information System	297,500	297,500	0	0	-297,500	
Total Natural Resources, Dept. of	\$ 42,548,986	\$ 42,548,986	\$ 42,548,986	\$ 42,548,986	\$ 0	
<u>Natural Resources Capital</u>						
Natural Resources Capital						
REAP-EFF	\$ 18,000,000	\$ 18,000,000	\$ 15,000,000	\$ 15,000,000	\$ -3,000,000	PG 12 LN 14
Volunteers and Keepers of Land-EFF	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	0	PG 10 LN 16
Park Operations & Maintenance-EFF	2,470,000	2,470,000	2,470,000	2,470,000	0	PG 10 LN 20
GIS Information for Watershed-EFF	195,000	195,000	195,000	195,000	0	PG 10 LN 24
Water Quality Monitoring-EFF	2,955,000	2,955,000	2,955,000	2,955,000	0	PG 10 LN 29
Water Quality Protection-EFF	500,000	500,000	500,000	500,000	0	PG 10 LN 33
Resource Conservation and Dev.-EFF	250,000	250,000	150,000	150,000	-100,000	PG 11 LN 19
Air Quality Monitoring-EFF	325,000	425,000	425,000	425,000	0	PG 11 LN 6
Animal Feeding Operations-EFF	360,000	360,000	608,400	608,400	248,400	PG 11 LN 2
Water Quantity-EFF	495,000	495,000	495,000	495,000	0	PG 11 LN 12
Total Natural Resources Capital	\$ 25,650,000	\$ 25,750,000	\$ 22,898,400	\$ 22,898,400	\$ -2,851,600	
<u>Economic Development, Dept. of</u>						
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Brownfields Redevelopment-EFF	\$ 500,000	\$ 500,000	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ -500,000	
Total Economic Development, Dept. of	\$ 500,000	\$ 500,000	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ -500,000	
Total Agriculture and Natural Resources	\$ 85,104,502	\$ 85,154,502	\$ 76,154,502	\$ 76,154,502	\$ -9,000,000	

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FTE

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	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
Agriculture and Natural Resources	1,529.99	1,601.31	1,626.95	1,626.95	25.64	
Grand Total	1,529.99	1,601.31	1,626.95	1,626.95	25.64	

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<u>Agriculture and Land Stewardship</u>						
Agriculture and Land Stewardship						
Administrative Division	356.45	408.00	408.00	408.00	0.00	PG 1 LN 4
Motor Fuel Inspection-RFIF	2.81	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	PG 2 LN 3
Gw-AG Drain Wells/Sinkholes	1.75	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Water Protection Fund	17.26	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
EPA Non Point Source Pollution	11.40	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Abandoned Mined Lands Grant	4.42	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Total Agriculture and Land Stewardship	394.10	408.00	408.00	408.00	0.00	
<u>Natural Resources, Dept. of</u>						
Natural Resources						
Natural Resources Operations	1,105.94	1,168.95	1,168.95	1,168.95	0.00	PG 2 LN 23
Total Natural Resources, Dept. of	1,105.94	1,168.95	1,168.95	1,168.95	0.00	
<u>Regents, Board of</u>						
Regents, Board of						
ISU - Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory	29.95	24.36	50.00	50.00	25.64	PG 6 LN 15
Total Regents, Board of	29.95	24.36	50.00	50.00	25.64	
Total Agriculture and Natural Resources	1,529.99	1,601.31	1,626.95	1,626.95	25.64	